

Rapidly Maturing Plans.

The State Board of Agriculture, which recently purchased the Douglas Park Jockey Club at Louisville for permanent grounds and buildings for the Kentucky State Fair, has not been able to close negotiations because the Title Company employed to clear the title and guarantee it has found that a part of the land bought has been dedicated to public uses, and, therefore, there may be some trouble in closing the roadways; at least there will be a delay of a few months. In the meantime, the Board has asked the owners of Douglas Park to lease them the grounds for holding this year's fair with the understanding that as soon as the title is cleared, the property will be taken over by the State Board. This, Mr. Cella, has declined to do, it is understood, although there is a probability of the matter being adjusted within the next day or two. The State Board is determined that it will not take over the property until the title is perfect. This may mean that the fair this year will be held at Churchill Downs where it was held last year instead of on the home grounds of the State Fair as was hoped.

Under any circumstances, the fair is certain to be held at Louisville on the dates mentioned, and we are asked by the State Fair management to say to our readers that the plans made for the State Fair are maturing rapidly and satisfactorily, and that they can assure every Kentuckian that the fair will be the biggest one ever held in the South in the way of exhibits, departments, in the way of big amusement features, in the way of music and in the way of attendance.

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Paris Man Shot In Hip.

The following special was sent to the dailies Saturday from Cynthiana: "George Maybrier, of Paris, was shot in Leestick one day this week. The shooting is clouded in mystery and the particulars are hard to get. Maybrier, accompanied by Clarence and Madge Gray, also of Paris, went to Lee's Lick to gather blackberries where they engaged in a free-for-all fight, Maybrier claiming that the Grays gave him a whipping and shot at him five times, one of the shots striking him in the hip. The Grays then drove to Paris, but Maybrier was taken to Lair where he was placed on a train and taken to Paris."

The parties live in Paris but we are unable to learn anything in regard to the above.

Special Train.

The L. & N. will run a special train from Falmouth to Lexington, August 12th to 17th, inclusive, account Blue Grass Fair. Train leave Paris 9:40 a. m., returning leave Lexington 6 p. m. W. H. HARRIS, Agent.
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Status of The Big Fight.

Convicted in the United States Court at Chicago on the charge of accepting rebates and fined \$29,000,000. Other indictments pending involving possible additional penalties of \$84,000,000.

Indicted in the Federal Court of the Western District of New York at Jamestown, on the charge of accepting rebates and liable to fines of \$4,500,000.

Suit instituted in the Federal Court at St. Louis under the anti trust laws for the dissolution of the Standard Oil Company and seventy allied corporations as illegal combinations in restraint of trade. Hearing to begin September 3.

As the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, expelled from the State of Texas and fined more than \$1,000,000.

Suit pending in Missouri for the expulsion of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company from that State.

Department of Justice preparing to institute criminal proceedings against the officers of the Standard Oil Company.

Exposés of Standard Oil methods in the official reports of the investigation conducted by the Bureau of Corporations.

"Parsifal."

Managers Martin and Embry will make another extensive tour with "Parsifal" this year. Important additions have been made to the cast and a brilliant scenic investiture will be seen. John Lane Connors and Virginia Keating, who scored so decisively in the parts of Parsifal and Kundry, have been re-engaged.

To Prevent Rust.

To keep iron and steel goods from rust, states the Mechanical World, dissolve half an ounce of camphor in one pound of hog's lard; take off the scum, mix as much black lead as will give the mixture an iron color. Iron and steel goods rubbed over with this mixture and left with it on 24 hours, and then dried with linen cloth will keep clean for months.

Pulling Together.

Gov. J. C. W. Beckham, United States Senators James B. McCreary and Thomas H. Paynter, Mayor Robert W. Bingham, of Louisville, and every member of Kentucky's delegation in the lower house of Congress have united in a letter to the members of the Democratic National Committee, requesting them and inviting them to hold the next Democratic Convention in Louisville. The letter points out Louisville's advantages and recites the fact that the city is situated midway between the North and South, easily accessible from every State in the Union, that it possesses the largest auditorium hall in the United States, and has ample hotel accommodations. In the letter all these prominent officials, Democrats and Republicans alike extend a genuine, hearty, sincere and promise the Democrats of the nation that if they hold the convention there they will receive a true Kentucky welcome. All our politicians have united in this common cause.

Car Shortage Anticipated Again.

That the car shortage in Kentucky which came near causing a coal famine last winter, will be even more pronounced during the season of 1906-1907 is the belief of A. T. Siler, a member of the State Railroad Commission.

Mr. Siler says that the demand for coal has been such that the roads have not had a chance to get in condition to anticipate a shortage and that dealers in the cities should stock their yards and prepare for a time when it will be difficult to get coal into the city.

"The situation as it appears to me," he said "is serious. It does not seem as though the car supply will be larger and owing to the general and constant demand it is likely to be even smaller."

The development of the coal regions, while offering a larger supply, is also calling for larger means of transportation, and these the railroads may not be able to furnish."

This is a gentle hint that the price of coal may be expected to soar. The skyrocket tendencies of this commodity are greatly deplored by the public.

Erroneous Report.

The report that Dr. M. H. Davis, of Mayslick, who married Miss Emma Hukill, of this city, suddenly expired while driving an automobile near Blue Licks Sunday was not true. The report caused considerable worry in Paris and much sympathy was expressed for the doctor and his good wife until the matter was cleared up over the telephone.

There was, however, a Dr. Davis, who died of heart failure in his automobile Sunday at Blue Licks. He was from Mayslick. His wife and some friends were in the car with Dr. Davis at the time he died. The death stroke came to him with but slight warning. He remarked to his wife that he felt ill, and asked her to take the wheel and steer the car. Before he could bring the machine to a complete stop he had expired. Mrs. Davis drove the car to the nearest house and called for assistance.

Live Stock Market.

The shipment of live stock to the Eastern markets continues, cattle, hogs and lambs being in excellent condition, with steady prices prevailing. Thos. McClintock & Sons shipped last week 2,000 lambs to Chicago and Jersey City, while several bunches of export cattle averaging 1,400 to 1,500 pounds have found their way to market.

T. J. Redmon bought of Jonas Weil forty-five head of 915-pound feeding cattle at 4 cents per pound and a premium of \$1 per head.

Blue Grass Fair.

Amid the cheering of more than 10,000 voices, accompanied by inspiring music, the Blue Grass Fair of 1907 opened auspiciously yesterday afternoon at Lexington. Both the day and the gathering were typically Southern and typically Kentuckian.

Not the least of attractions was that grand old Kentuckian, Col. Henry Watterson, who made the opening address. The welcome which he received would have made any heart glad and his happy response to the sentiment was one of the finest speeches ever heard on any fair grounds. Indeed, as remarked by Hon. W. P. Kimball, who introduced him, he is still the type of the "grand old Kentuckian." Mr. Watterson received many congratulations on his speech when he had finished.

Bourbon Crops.

The weather for threshing wheat, cutting and stacking hay has been very unsatisfactory to our farmers.

A week's weather unaccompanied by showers would practically wind up threshing and stacking of hay in the county and enable farmers to turn their attention along other lines. Wheat fields are becoming very weedy, while shocks of wheat wherever down are sprouting.

Some wheat has been threshed damp and is being rejected by buyers with the result that farmers will be compelled to rethresh.

Early corn is fast maturing a splendid crop, while late fields under favorable conditions are showing rapid growth.

Earl Ferguson, a prominent farmer residing on the Hume & Bedford pike, said that he had 300 acres of corn and with the rains of the last week would make the best yield of any crop he had raised in recent years.

Hemp cutting is on in earnest, and taken as a whole is up to the average. Some new fields subjected to the ravages of broom rape have already been cut in order to save the crop.

Tobacco is in fair condition and so far had not been affected to any extent by the ravages of worms though growers say the pests are showing up in large numbers. Late tobacco which comprises a considerable portion of the total acreage is presenting a very discouraging outlook and at the best will not make better than a half crop.

Wheat is steady at 85 cents per bushel, while quotations on new hay are lower, several sales being made of baled hay at \$12.50 per ton, and as low as \$10 being offered and refused.

Quantrell, The Guerilla Chief, Lives.

Bill Quantrell, leader of Quantrell's guerrillas in the Civil War, according to history, died of wounds at a Kentucky hospital after his raiders were cut up, is alive and resides at Quatsino, on the northeast coast of Vancouver Island, under the name of John Sharp, according to a number of people who have conversed with him, says a dispatch from Vancouver, B. C.

J. E. Duffy, a prominent timberman, who recently became interested in the timber land at Quatsino, recognized John Sharp, who is over 70, wiry and gray, as Quantrell, Duffy having been a member of the Michigan cavalry which cut up Quantrell's force. He stated to Duffy that he was correct in his recognition.

Sharp said he had been left as dead, and instead of dying of his wounds at Louisville, as history recorded, had taken a horse, ridden many miles and disappeared. He made his way to South America, living a number of years in Chile, whence he went to Texas, where he engaged in the cattle business, making considerable money, which he exhausted. Then he went to Oregon, where he punched cows and drove cattle over the mountains.

From Oregon he went to British Columbia nearly two decades ago and engaged in logging at different camps of the Northeast coast of Vancouver Island until 10 years ago, when he became a trapper of the Northern coast. Six or seven years ago he went to Quatsino, here he was made carer at the West Vancouver mines.

When J. E. Duffy landed at Quatsino from the steamer Tees he met John Sharp on the beach at Coal Harbors. Duffy looked the old man over and said: "Is that you, Quantrell, you old rascal?"

"Come into the house," said Sharp, and for some time the two men talked. Sharp stating he was in reality Quantrell, and he talked at length of the raids in Kansas and elsewhere and eagerly listened to Duffy's tales from the point of view of the cavalry in the Union army.

Sharp was most keenly interested in the story of the cutting up of his band, and when his narrator told of how 40 men had been killed tears rolled down the old man's cheeks.

R. E. Montgomery, who is engaged in business at Quatsino and who knew Sharp, or Quantrell, at Ft. Worth, and N. I. Berg, Postmaster at Quatsino, are two others to whom Sharp has stated his identity as Quantrell.

"I might as well admit it," Sharp told both, "It seems that I cannot hide the fact."

The story the old man told to the informant of the Associated Press was that when his band had been cut up he had been bayoneted in the chest and had a bullet wound through the shoulder. The surgeon who looked him over diagnosed that he could not live more than a couple of hours and he had been left so that others with more chance of recovery could be attended to by the overworked surgeons.

While they tended the others he got up, despite his wounds and disappeared. That night, he says, he rode 70 miles. He then took flight to South America.

To Be Rigidly Enforced.

The postal laws prohibiting written messages of any character in merchandise packages or letters on which less than two cents an ounce has been paid are to be enforced more rigidly from now on, and Paris people who have been guilty of such practice should take care in the future. During the last fiscal year postoffice inspectors collected \$59,065 for such violations. In thousands of cases a short note or memorandum was placed inside the package of merchandise on which postage was paid at one cent an ounce, while the writing made it necessary that two cents an ounce should have been paid.

Finding that in a great number of cases the offense is due to ignorance of the law, and that the collection of fines usually works hardship to the very poor, especially where written messages are made in returning coupons, tags and certificates for premiums, Postmaster-General Meyer has directed that proper notice be placed in post offices warning the public against such practice.

Children Quarrel While Mother Dies.

Testimony introduced before Judge Lincoln in the Jefferson County Court at Louisville in the contest over the will of Mrs. S. T. E. Ross, tended to show that the differences existing between the children had reached a crisis even before her death.

Mrs. Sophia Riddle, one of the daughters, accused Miss Edith Ross, the principal beneficiary of having assaulted Mrs. Mattie Gault, another sister, breaking two ribs. Mrs. Riddle also charged that her sister, Mrs. Ross, went to the bedside of her dying mother and with a pistol threatened suicide unless she left the bulk of the estate to her. The estate at issue is valued at \$40,000. The case was taken under advisement by Judge Lincoln.

Sunland Chief a Winner.

The Kentucky Farmer and Breeder in its account of the Cynthiana Fair has the following to say of a Bourbon county stallion:

"Harness stallion four years and over (ten entries), J. J. Miller Ward, Paris, first on Sunland Chief; J. R. Fagin second on bay horse by Bracken Chief. Outside the money was Rex Arbuckle, the champion harness stallion at the State Fair in 1905. Rex Arbuckle did not make his usual good showing, but he has been shown hard and had just gotten off the cars. Young Chief, shown by J. W. Brock, of Georgetown, Ky., was a winner last year, defeating Moko Pearl, Rex Arbuckle and others at Lexington, was also outside the money. The winner of this ring is one of the best bred harness stallions in the State, combining the blood of Harrison Chief, Indian Chief, Joe Downing and Peavine. His sire is a full brother to the great Lou Chief."

Sunland Chief also won the blue ribbon at the Georgetown Fair last week.

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